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Summary

This collection contains 139 correspondence from Maj. Bette J. Barto, USAFE to her parents while serving as a nurse during the late 1950s and 1960s. Also included are three photographs, one special orders document, and one marriage license. In several cases, Bette refers to her parents as "Lizzie" and "Hugh Elmer," or simply "Elmer." Three letters from 1961 or 1962 are undated and placed in a separate folder.

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SEYMOUR JOHNSON AIR FORCE BASE

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Sat. Nite 28 Nov. 64

Dear Mom and Daddy,

I'm sure you are completely mad at me for not having written this week. Each evening I was "going to" write but ended up going to bed early instead. Ray is still half sick with a severe cough and bronchitis. He's been up 1 + 2 hrs in the middle of the night just coughing. I had 2 days of something resembling a cough and sinusitis but I seem to have gotten over it just as rapidly.

Thanksgiving Day was lovely here. I had to laugh at Ray a little. He doesn't really care for turkey, so I thought I was being most practical when I bought a boneless turkey roast. I told Ray & he never commented until 6³⁰ pm. He'd. out while he was lying on the divan - in his usual position - then he decided he wanted a turkey with legs! So we got dressed and rushed out and bought our Thanksgiving dinner a second time. I hadn't realized he hadn't had me Thanksgiving at home since we've been married.

So we had a Sadaw & Lizzie-type Thanksgiving dinner - complete with 24-hour salad as best as I could remember. I got no complaints from



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old Dad; so it must have been fairly ok.

Friday we went to Camp Lejeune PX shopping for the rest of our Christmas. Tell Helen I got Jeff's football uniform finally. It will need some adjustment in the area of the knee pads. They feel awfully hard and don't look like they would fit snug on his leg. Jerry may want to put some sponge rubber behind them.

Today we spent the day trimming Young Gent. He looks really pretty today; I did him in about 4 1/2 hours this time. I'm glad I'm getting better at it because if we get a new poodle in December I'll really have my hands full.

Rory and I have 4-5 days off before he goes to work in his new job. They really wanted him to go to Peru on 6 Dec. but this leave will keep him off that. He has to have his annual flight physical, his annual instrument school, his flying time - all before January 1. So, maybe I will at least keep him for Christmas. If 19th AF is going to



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be like this, I'm sure we will
be getting for Gen. Graham to get
us out of here before too long.
Roy would enjoy a trip to Peru,
if he hadn't been gone so much
already, because he's never
been to South America - except
in the air. I'm sure there will
be other opportunities, though.
Well, I'll quit this and mail
it, if we go out tomorrow. Then
I'll mail your check Tues.
after Roy gets paid.
More later,

Love

Beile + Roy

+ Gent